

# **KODAK**

from Dave Hill

In the 'K' section of the catalogue there are at least 8 dies used by Kodak. Kodak was started by George Eastman in Rochester, New York in 1880. A site was purchased in Harrow, Middlesex in 1890. Initially owned by Eastman Photographic Materials Co., Kodak Ltd was registered in 1898. Manufacture of photographic materials had started in 1891.

A head office was established in Clerkenwell Road in 1897, initially NO.43, then 41 was added, then 57 to 61. This moved to Kingsway in 1911 and finally a block of offices in Hemel Hempstead in 1971 (the

processing "Box 24" was done in a nearby industrial estate). There was a branch in Leeds 1938-72. There was a retail branch at 171-3 Regent Street 1898-1919. There were retail and wholesale branches throughout the U.K., including Dublin by 1903: most were closed by 1973.

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